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Applicant : Masato Mitsuhashi
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Examiner : Frank Wei Min Lu
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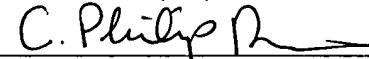
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the communication from the Examiner mailed September 28, 2006. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

Pending Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.